NEWS FROM HAGERSTOWN.

Contest for the Deputy Postmastership-Trouble Over the Australian Ballot Law. Correspondence of The Evening Star.

HAGERSTOWN, February 19, 1891. Hagerstown has four letter carriers. Now tilt is going on for the position of assistant or My Soul." deputy postmaster under Mr. Harter. The most prominent aspirants for this place are Mr. L. F. McComas, uncle of Hon. L. C. McComas, and G. W. B. Morrison, an old soldier, who is backed by the Grand Army men. The result is anxiously looked forward to by the friends of petition, which was indorsed by the convoca-

The marriage of Mr. William H. Kreps, a To the World's Columbian Commission: well-known gentleman of Hagerstown, to Miss Flora B. Martin is announced to take place in this city on the evening of the 24th instant. Rev. J. Shanahan, who has been paster for the past sixteen months of Corpus Christi Catholic Church at Chambersburg, has been transferred by Eishop McClowan to Harrisburg, where he has been appointed rector of the Pro-

Across the line in Adams county, Pa., barn

The municipality of Hagerstown finds itself in an unfortunate muddle, growing out of the adoption by the state legislature of the Austra-lian ballot system. An election held here last fall for the adoption or rejection of a proposition to issue bonds to the amount of \$25,000 for sewerage was declared null and void by Judge Alvey upon the grounds that the election was not held in accordance with the Australian system, as provided by the legislature. This decision gave a setback to a most needed measure, and now that the spring election for councilmen is coming on has revived the issnes. Mayor Halm having applied to the city attorney, Mr. Wm. Witzenbacker, that official, in a lengthy opinion, decides that no legal election for councilmen can be held this apring "by reason of the failure on the part of the possible for the citizens of Hagerstown to comto enact suitable laws rendering it ply with the proposition and formalities required by the repealing statute, and thut the councilmen new serving, in the event of no election next month, hold over as the lawful possessors of the office by virtue of their original election until their successors are qual-

Several nights ago David Brown, a well-known resident of Forville, shot his wife through a mistake. Mrs. Brown, who had gene into the yard, thought she heard some the yard. Mr. Brown secured his revolver, hastened out, and hearing a noise, fired. To his great surprise he struck Mrs. Brown, the ball lodging in her neck. The wound is a serious one, but it is hoved not necessarily fatal. An impromptu horse race along the Chesa-peake and Ohio canal resulted in the death of Albert Meeks. He ran against a telephone pole, fracturing his skull and receiving injuries which proved fatal.

The relatives of Geo. Russell of Harper's Ferry mourn his untimely death. He was killed by cars in Texas? Our citizens lament the death of Mrs. Helen Stockton Boteler, wife of Hon. Alex. R. Boteler of West Virginia. She was a daughter of the Late Commodore Stockton of Princeton, N.J.

Mr. Green Majors of Montana, who has pur
at Calvary Baptist Church by the department

live and will build a handsome residence on the property just purchased.
Mr. George Ryneal of Washington, who has been visiting in this locality for some time, returned home vesterday.

The announcement that the Hon. L. E. Mc-Comas was likely to be appointed United States district attorney for the District of Columbia was received with great favor by his friends here. His statement that he is no candidate tion is a disappointment to many of his constituents.

THE FARMERS' CONVENTION. Many Interesting Speeches Made Upon Agri-

pondence of The Evening Star. ALEXANDRIA, VA., Feb. 18, 1891. The farmers' convention of northern Virginia met in board of trade rooms here this day. Convention called to order by the president, O. E. Hine. The first matter in order was the election of officers, with following result: President, Maj. O. E. Hine; secretary, W. Gillingham; assistant L. S. Abbott; treasurer. Mr. lames Roberts; first vice president, N. W. Pierson: second vice president Mr. L. S. Chanin. executive committee, Adam Martin, C. Lukins and Capt. H. H. Garrett. The president made

interests of the farmers.

The discussion of the first question presented to the convention for consideration on co-opera-tion was opened in an essay by Mr. Corbit, a an prominent in agricultural affairs. He thorough acquaintance with the topic L. S. Abbott followed in a systematic consideration of the theme and advocated compulsory education for the minors and ethical training. H. H. Garrett spoke on the importance of

organization and presented the grange as the fittest and most desirable organization for the great multitude of the farmers. Mr. Hoyt was the next speaker and is an ailiance member. He commended that organ-ization as the best and most effective of all in the country in securing the needs of the farmer, and as having secured important ends in electing representatives in legislative bodies and consequently power to shape needed leg-islation. He favored protection. Mr. C. A. Wickle (one of the purchasers of the Thornton tract in Fairfax county in con-nection with the late Gen. Dunn) said he was

no farmer, but was in favor of educating the people.
Mr. E. E. Mason did not think that the claim that the various farmers' organizations were not partition was true. He entered finally upon a condemnation of many of the measures osten-sibly adopted for the benefit of the farmers. He was particularly severe on much of the political action in the country and was in favor of organization with many qualifying con-

Col. Bundy concluded the discussion for the the railroads, sundry capital organizations, monopolies and trusts. He proceeded to conmeasures to put farmers into the legislative bodies to correct by proper legislation these wrongs. He proposes to accomplish this farmer representation by organization. He was in favor of political action, but not of

board of trade, showed the unequal taxation between the farmer and the man investing capi-tal in business. The farmer was taxed the highest. He contended for the general educa-

ment to the audience.

Dr. Frank Thomas of Sandy Springs stated the experience of a lady in his vicinity in growing chickens and said that to insure the laying of pienty of eggs the food should be mainly wheat and the hens given plenty of broken oyster shells. Mr. Adam Martin also gave encouraging advice for chicken raising. Mrs. Williams presented an essay in which to say a few words on their own experiences and complete the work. Among

Col. Whitehead, state commissioner of the Virginia board of agriculture, made a very amusing speech on the question and in harmony with the unbroken commendation of the McClees, national superintendent of work and the control of the most very and remarks were made by Mrs. poultry raising question.

L. S. Abbott then took the floor and should

the exceedingly distinctive effect of the poul-try slock upon the fruit, vegetable and grain crops on the farm, putting quite another aspect State Commissioner of Agriculture White-head made an able speech on agricultural de-pression and other subjects of interest to the larmers. L. S. A.

at Mertz's, cor. of 11th and F streets, -- Advi. WASHINGTON LOSD and Trust Co. See adv't.

MORE INTERESTING ADDRESSES At the Meeting of the White Ribbo Night.

PETITION THAT THE WOSLD'S PAIR DE CLOSED ON SUNDAYS AND THAT INTOXICATING LIQUORS BE PROBIRITED WITHIN THE GROUNDS IN-DORSED-EARNEST WORK OF MRS. MARY H. HUNT

The meeting of the white ribboners' convo-South Carolina W. C. T. U., who announced the opening hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," followed by a Bible reading by Miss that the name of a new postmaster—that of James P. Harter—has been sent to the Senate ler, wife of the Representative from South Dahe is deluged with applicants, twenty-six hav- kota, made an earnest prayer, after which the ing filed their papers up to date. A lively little audience joined in the hymn, "Jesus, Lover of

> Sarah J. C. Downs, Mrs. Frances Barnes and Miss Gibson of Calais, France. A WORLD'S FAIR PETITIO

Miss Frances Willard then read the following

The convocation of white ribboners, under auspices of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, now in sessiou in the city of Washington, D.C respectfully and carnestly request you to close the world's Columbian extion, to be held in Chicago in 1893, to the public on every Sunday during its continu-ance. We also urgently request the commis-sion to forbid the sale of intexicating liquors within the buildings and grounds of the ex-position from its beginning to its end. Repreburners are abroad. Two have been destroyed lately by presumable incendiary fires, and since then a notice has been found posted stating that ten barns, giving the owners' moved by the highest moral, religious and pa-names, had been condemned and would be destroyed. Consequently considerable alarm fair as an exhibition of our republican instituevalty to God and our country, we plead for the protection which you alone can give for the rights of the people to their lawful and Godgiven day of rest and worship.

THE LADY COMMISSIONERS APPRALED TO. To the Ladies' Department of the World's Co-Inmbian Commission:

The convocation of white ribboners, under enspices of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, now in session in the city of Washington, D. C., respectfully and earntly petition you to use your utmost personal ad official influence with the world's Columcan commission to prevent the opening of the world's fair at Chicago, in 1893, on the Lord's ays during its continuance; and also to forbid he sale of intexicating liquors in the grounds and buildings of the exposition from its begin-ning to its end. American women have the highest reasons for the preservation and the proper observance of the day of weekly rest nd worship. Its enemies cannot long withcod and manhood of the republic to protect e people from the ruin of Sabbath descera-

Believing that your official relations to the orld's Columbian exposition will enable you through a mistake. Mrs. Brown, who had gene into the yard, thought she heard some person at the hennery. She went back to the house, informed her husband and returned to the yard. Mr. Brown seemed his revolver. to this petition. THE HOPE AND HELP BRANCH.

Miss Willard gave a brief but interesting talk on the subject of the "Hope and Help" branch of the organization.

This convocation of the W.C.T.U., beginning as it did with the great mass meeting at Con-gregational Church last Sunday afternoon and ting all through the week, has been in every way a great success. A number of prominent women from all directions have been here for the sessions and will stay over next week in order to be present at the meetings of the Woman's National Council and the National American Woman Suffrage Association. This evening a card reception will be given

chased for \$5,973 twenty-three acres on the ever of scientific temperance instruction in memorable Bolivar Heights, will come east to live and will build a handsome residence on the property just purchased.

and colleges in honor of Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, national and international superintendent. Miss Frances E. Willard will preside.



MRS. MARY H. HENT. Mrs. Hunt, the superintendent of the department for introducing the study of scientific temperance into schools and colleges, is a nalive of Canaan, Conn. Her father, Ephraim Hanchett, and his brothers were iron manufacturers, bringing their iron ore from the Salia bury mines, first opened up by their great great grandfather. On both sides she is desome fitting and encouraging remarks on the some fitting and encouraging remarks on the scended from religious and temperate people. improved condition of the market prices of At sixteen she engaged to teach a country farm products and then generally on the varied school, and notwithstanding her youth suc seeded remarkably with the lively young spirits committed to her charge. A year of teaching was followed by more study at America Seminary, N.Y., and later at Patapsco Seminary near Baltimore, from which latter institute she graduated with honor and was at once chosen a teacher there. In the autumn of the follow-ing year, however, she was married to Mr. Leander B. Hunt of East Douglass, Mass. On first temperance lecture in the town hall in Leominster, Mass., and a few weeks later was appointed a vice president of the state W.C.T.I. Mrs. Hunt soon became one of the most valu-able lecturers of the union, and upon the formation of the department of scientific instruction in 1880 she was appointed its superintendent and has retained that position ever since. Mrs. Hunt is also interested in the Woman's National ouncil next week and is one of the speakers at

TO CLOSE TOMORROW. The convocation of the white ribboners will be closed tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock with children's mass meeting at Congregational Church. There will be music and banners, bands of hope and loyal legions, chorus by 250 boys and girls and an address by Miss Anna Gordon. Miss Willard will be present and be Gordon. Miss Willard will introduced to the children. Mrs. Alfred Wover, district superintendent of the juvenile department, wishes it under stood that the choir galiery will be reserved for

Sunday school superintendents. TODAY'S BIBLE READING. The last of the meetings at Foundry Church, held by the white ribboners under the auspices of the National W.C.T.U., was held this morning at 11 o'clock. There were no addresses nor other formal business, but the morning was devoted to a lible reading and praise service. The former was conducted by Mrs. Frances J. was in favor of political action, but not of partisan character. He eschewed partisan politics. "Organize," said he, "organize by joining any body of farmers in the country." Agrishlural depression was the result of the scarcity of money. He thought we were going to have the free coinage of siler.

Mr. Frank Reed, who is president of the My God, to Thee."

And the congregation sang the hymn, "Nearer, My God, to Thee."

Mrs. Barnes read a few verses from the third chapter of Malachi, beginning "Will a man rob highest. He contended for the general education of the people.

Miss Hoyt opened the afternoon session with
an essay on poultry raising, which proved to
be a humorous rather than a practical consideration of the subject and caused great amusement to the audience.

De Frank Themes of Sanda Carina at the last that we have robbed did not offense against our Father we would all be in gave encouraging advice for chicken raising.

Mrs. Williams presented an essay in which great successes in the business war related.

The tariff question was crowded into the poutable to say a few words on their own experiences and opinions of the work. Among these speakers was Miss Jennie Smith, who gave an account of temperance work among the tariff discussion became general. among the soldiers and sailors, and a numbe

HAVE YOU VOTED YET?—If not, get the 32-page Sunday Herald next Sunday and put in a vote for some good boy or girl in the contest for the beautiful pair of ponies and surrey, worth \$750. The contest will close one week from Saturday evening at 4 o'clock.

decides that women are not competent to be incorporators or treasurers of a corporation, and that the act of 1887 does not remove the

THE POLICE COURT PARADE. Eight Prisoners Before Judge Miller and All

Three women and five men and boys made n the first parade of prisoners that appeared in Judge Miller's temple of justice this morning A colored woman named Julia Isaacs was the first one called upon to plead, the charge against The meeting of the white ribboners' convo-her being vagrancy. Policemen Pearson and cation at Foundry Church last evening was Gordon gave the woman a good name with the fairly well attended, considering the inclemency exception of a failing so far as liquor is conof the weather. The session was presided over cerned. Sometime ago, the officers said, Julia by Mrs. Sallie F. Chapin, president of the was arrested and given a chance and later on she was sent down for three days.

Judge Miller said it was a pity that such a good servant should give way to her appetite for strong drink, and he thought she had better go down for ten days and get the whisky Another colored woman named Mollie Hop-

kins, who resides in Bass' alley, was tried for being disorderly. She disputed the charge that she was under the influence of liquor, and it being shown that she was a working woman the court released her on her own recogni-

Ida Stilyard, also colored, was tried for va-grancy and given sixty days.

Thomas Jennings and Major Richardson, col-ored boys who spend most of their time about variety theaters, where they beg for checks and "shoot crap," were charged with disorderly conduct. Policeman Sutten told what a nuis-ance the boys were in that neighborhood and Judge Miller said he intended to fine every boy who spends his time about such places and begs checks and plays "craps." They were fined \$5

each.

Jesse Porter didn't think that he used profane language in a house loud enough to be
heard on the street, but the proof was against
him and he had to pay five dollars.

Sam Johnson, colored, admitted that he was
guilty of a charge of indecent exposure, and
was fined \$20 or 30 days on the farm.

John Phillips said "guilty" to a charge of

John Phillips said "guilty" to a charge of begging on the street, and was given two months.

Willie Carson, a sixteen-year-old colored boy from Charles county, was the last of the first lot tried. Policeman Hatton arrested him and wanted to give him a good home where he could work for his living, but the boy said he would rather go to the work house and he was sent there for two months.

ERRORS OF THEOSOPHY.

Mr. Snell Says the System Rests on an Unsubstantial Foundation-A Catholic View of It. The second lecture of the course on theosophy at the Catholic University of America was delivered Wednesday afternoon, as stated in THE STAR, by Mr. Merwin-Marie Snell, secretary to Bishop Keane. Among other things he said that although the theosophists claim that their system is found in the ancient literatures of all religions, not a single one of the scores of specialists in oriental literature and comparative religion has yet detected such a system in the Scriptures of Buddhism, Brahmanism, Mazeeism, Confucianism or Taoism or in those of Egypt or Mesopotamia. In fact, although theosophy is called by its adherents the ancient Arvan, or even the pre-Arvan "Wisdom religion," its most characteristic doctrines are not only not to be found in the Yasna Gathas of the Zeno Avesta or the Rig Veda Mantras-the earliest monuments of Arvan religious thought, but are distinctly contradicted by them. Many of them, such as that of metempsychosis or reincarnation, can in fact be proud to be of later introduction and from a very different source Such anachronisms are not surprising, Prof Snell said, when we reflect that no one whose name is publicly associated with the theo-sophical movement is deeply versed in the name is publicly associated with the inco-sophical movement is deeply versed in the ancient sacred literatures or gives evidence of being able to read any of them in the languages in which they were written.

The pretended Esoteric Buddhists of the

occident, he said, are unfamiliar with the only authoritative oriental exposition of Esoteric Buddhism, and this in spite of the fact that they claim to have been instructed by a Mahatma in Thibet, the very country in which the work is most used and esteemed He went on to a discussion of the details of theosophical teaching.

theosophical teaching.

Summing up the ground which had been covered, Prof. Snell said: "The theosophical system not only rests on utterly unsubstantial foundations, but it denies the existence of God, the reality of matter, the creation of the universe, the immortality of the soul and a divine form of duty. It teaches the doctrine of metempsychosis, and holds out to us, on the authority of certain approximate acceptance. laring to admit of either demonstration or refutation, but having numerous counterparts among the numberless systems elaborated by among the numberless systems elaborated by the oriental dreamers, every sect of central and southern Asia having a cosmogony of its

THE ASSIGNEE'S ANSWER.

He Denies Any Concealment of Facts or Re fusal to Account for His Actions. In the case of the Standard Sewing Machine Co. against S. S. Adams, assignee of J. J. Hollister et al., for an injunction, account and a receiver answers have been filed by Randall Hagner. The assignee says he took immediate possession of the goods when Hollister executed the assignment, and is now in possession of the same, which have not been sold: that he has employed Hollister as clerk and agent and his wife to wait on customers. He denies the receipt of money from the Masonic Hall Association, but on the other hand had to pay \$410 for rent. He admits the removal of the effects stating that it was because \$100 was too great a monthly rent for the business, and he finally isposed of the store, \$500 being received, and by agreement with Hollister, \$250 was paid him by agreement with Hollister, \$250 was paid him if he would pay Mr. Hagner his fees. He denies that there has been any concealment or he refused to give an account of his actions as assignee; states the aggregate receip s were \$1,299.79, while the disbursements, including his commissions, were \$1,383.17, an overpayment of \$83.38, and in conclusion states that he has no objection of being relieved as assignee, but asks that his interests be protected. Mr. Hollister says, knowing the facts stated by Mr. Adams to be true, he adonts that answer

At St. John's Ornhanage 'On Sunday last, at St. John's Church, the rector announced at the afternoon service that after the morning service a member of the congregation had declared her intention of giving 1,000 to endow another cot at St. John's orphanage, in memory of the late Minister Pendleton and Mrs. Pendleton. It is stated that the services of a Kindergarten are greatly needed at the orphanage, and also repairs and alterations in the building, and that for these purposes gifts will be thankfully received by Sister Sarah

The Emancipation Celebration. Mr. Wm. H. Brooker, who was elected chief marshal of the emancipation parade at the recent convention, has announced the following appointments: W. C. Cox, right aid; J. Sell. left aid; Geo. Boston, chief of staff; F. Joyce, right aid; T. Dorsey, left aid; W. Carson, secretary. Aids, R. Wormley, Dallas Washington, Geo. White, W. West, John Mar-chall, Robt. Brown, Bobt. Keys, Jas. Wood. Andrew Morris, W. Hawkin; Dan Stilliard, M. Robinson, Lewis Willis, Geo. Washington and Jno. Ambush. Ameeting of the marshals and aids of the several districts has been called for the 24th instant in order to perfect arranger

At the annual convocation of the Woman's Relief Corps, department of the Potomac, on the evening of the 18th instant at Grand Army Hall, 1412 Pennsylvania avenue, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. The annex will contain a large gymnasium, Ida V. Hendricks, department president; Miss Ida V. Hendricks, department president; Miss Julia Mason, department senior vice president; Miss Mary Howard, department junior vice president; Mrs. Davenport, department chap-lain; Mrs. Georgia Bain, department treasurer. Executive board: Mrs. Major Turner, chair-man; Mrs. J. W. Butchgr, Mrs. Barnes, Mrs. M. E. Petty and Miss Emma Jordan. The session adjourned subject to the call of the president.

The recent statements telegraphed from Cincinnati that the suit brought by Mr. C. M. Bell of this city against the Henderson-Achert-Krebs Lithographic Company for \$84,000 for damages for violating Mr. Bell's copyright on Mrs. Cleveland's pictures had fallen through are denied by Mr. Clingman, attorney for Mr. Bell in Cinctinati. The statement was based on alleged utterances of H.M. Clay, formerly manager of the Krebs company. Mr. Clay has published a card absolutely denying these assertions, and the suit is still pending.

John D. Knox & Co., bankers, Topeks, Kans., assigned Wednesday to J. H. McFee. The liabilities will reach \$300,000. Mr. Knox claims that at a fair valuation the assets will aggregate \$450,000. The heaviest creditor is the board of trustees of the New York conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church for \$20,000.

DISTRICT GOVERNMENT.

DRUMMERS' TAX COLLECTED The opinion of the attorney regarding House bill 12732, to suspend the operation in certain cases of the statute of limitations in force in cases of the statute of limitations in force in the District of Columbia, has heretofore been printed in The Star. The bill is for the refund of the drummers' tax, which has been held illegal. As it was known that a large amount of money was involved, the Commissioners requested the assessor to furnish them with a statement of the amount that would be required to meet the judgments that must follow if the bill becomes a law. A statement of this kind was furnished today by the assessor, which shows that \$217,661.49 has been collected from drummers since November 1, 1872. The amount claimed by residents of the District, Mr. Trimble says, can only be approximately determined. ble says, can only be approximately determined.
One hundred thousand dollars, he says, will be equaled if not excelled by the class of claims above referred to.

POLICE COURT CONTINGENCIES. Judge Miller writes to the Commissioners to lay that he notices that the item for contingent expenses of the Police Court has been omitted from the appropriation bill as reported to the Senate. He says that unless this item, which is only \$1,400, passed it will be impossi-ble to run the Police Court. He urges im-mediate attention.

THE POLE STILL IN TROUBLE. The poor old pole of the United States Electric Lighting Company is having a hard road to travel. It will be remembered that Mr. Martin Morris threatened to cut the pole down unless it was removed from the alley in the rear of his house on Massachusetts avenue and the Electric Lighting Company promised to move it to the alley west. Now Mr. Thomas Francis writes to the Commissioners that the alley west is a viviete alley and if the role is alley west is a private alley and if the pole is put there he will see that it is cut down and put there he will see that it is cut down the parties putting up the pole prosecuted for

THE DISTRICT HAS NO CLAIM. Some time ago Mr. Jno. B. Larner called the ttention of the Commissioners to a tax levied on property prior to the issuance of a tax certificate, but not shown therein, on the faith of which certificate Mr. Larner purchased the property. He requested that the tax be can-celled. The attorney was consulted and today

in an opinion, he says:

"If, in making the certificate provided for by chapter 50, volume 20, page 233, the collector should smit from the statement any part of all taxes and assessments, general and specific, that are due and unpaid at the time of making said certificate, the District could be estopped from making any claim of collecting any portion of the part omitted."

A NUISANCE COMPLAINED OF. Capt. Rossell has recommended that the nealth department be directed to look into the complaint of Mr. F. C. Jones, who says a nuisance is caused on the square between 3d and 4th, F and G streets by the dumping of garbage

THE SUGGESTION DISAPPROVED. Several days ago Mr. J. P. Thompson in a leter to the Commissioners suggested that as a Sun says: Sir John Thompson in a speech here protection to people crossing a street the cable Thursday night, referring to the negotiations and electric cars be required to stop before and after crossing a street. As the Commissioners think such a requirement would destroy the rapid transit theory the suggestion is disapproved.

MISCELLANDOUS. The obstructed sewer on the east side of 6th street northwest between O and P has been ordered to be replaced by a new sewer. GOLD IN NICARAGUA.

It is Said to Exist There in Enormous Quar

bura. Mr. Von Phul says that he saw from Rener's mine chunks of gold as large as his finger and flat pieces as big as an egg. He is positive that the Aztees obtained their gold from those mines, especially as stone hatchets and stone basins have been found among the gold. Rener's mine is both quartz and piacer. Schultz's mine is all placer.

The journey to the mines is a dreadful one, and has deterred the search for the treasure ere this. It is difficult to conceive the dangers which must be passed. First, there is a for days' journey in a pierogue up the river to the rapids. The latter are terrific, and it takes four days of careful and constant work to get through them. Then the darring gold seeker is confronted with a tropical jungle, so thick that every step of the way must be cut through

It took the successful miners eight or ter years before they realized their dream. The Spaniards long tried to find the mines, but could never reach them. When they got as far as the rapids they were driven back by the In-dians. Mr. Von Phul does not desire to encourage Americans to join in the search for the gold, but he knows that there is gold there as lentiful as it was in California in the early lars of the metai.

One of the lumps weighed twenty-seven ounces, and the report sent him from New York was that it was the finest gold ever seen. Rener has found trouble on account of the lack of water, and at other times the water has been too plentiful to permit work. He has a grant of 100,000 square feet, and says it will yield 40 cents to a foot on the surface.

The miners propose to build a mill in sections and converted to the surface.

tions and carry the parts in pierogues and put it up near the mines. The gold has to be carried away from the mines in the same tiny crafts, but the friendship of the Indians has been secured and they are skilled in the style of navigation.

Speaking of politics and other affairs in Nic-

aragua Mr. von Phul said that Sarcasa was elected president two months ago. The election was very quiet. Don Sarcasa is a cousin of the president of Greytown. The president is a genial person and is quite fond of Americans. He has an American wife and three charming daughters. charming daughters.

TOO MUCH MONEY TO FIGHT.

Heirs to the Anneke-Jans-Bogardus Clain A dispatch from New York city save that there are at least sixty Chicago people who are heirs to the famous Anneke-Jans-Bogardus estate, now in litigation in New York city.

"I am one of the direct heirs," said Mr. H. D. Bogardus of Chicago, yesterday, "but I don't believe I'll ever get a cent of the \$300,000,000 involved. Possession is nine points of the law, and the Trinity Church corporation has pos-I am directly descended from the Rev. Mr. and the first Holland preacher in this country. vould cause us to fight \$500,000,000

The trustees of Cornell University held a special meeting on Wednesday and appropriated \$21,000 to build an annex to the gymnasium, which will make it as well equipped as that of any college gymnasium in the country. The annex will contain a large gymnasium, drill hall and assembly raom, a crew room, trophy room, base ball cage and bowling alleys in addition to increased bathing facilities. The trustees also appropriated a sufficient sum to creet a law school building. They voted to reduce the tuition in the literary courses to \$100, beginning next year. Students in the law school and preparatory school will also pay \$100. In the technical courses they will pay \$125, as at present. \$125, as at present.

Washington during the past few days, consulting with well-known democrats in both houses, has caused a great deal of goasip. It has been said by several gentlemen that plans are being prepared for organizing a Whitney presider that boom and that some facts about the availability of the ex-Secretary will soon reach the public. Mr. Whitney called at the Senate chamber today and sent in his card to the democratic leader, Mr. Gorman, who promptly responded, and the two democrats went up stairs to the Maryland Senator's private room for a chat. The meeting was regarded as quite significant.

A JACKSON ALLEY PARLOR SOCIAL It Ended in the Usual Manner by an Ar

The colored society people of Jackson alley, in the rear of the government printing office, turned out in full force last night and attended a "parlor social" at Amanda Harris' house. The affair was given in commemoration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of Mary Collins' birthday. Shortly before midnight the affair was ided by Policeman Sullivan, who arrested Maggie Dorsey, one of the lassies who had been doing the light fantastic.

Maggie left the gathering for a few minutes nd when she returned the other girls laughed

Maggie could not whip the entire party unas Maggie could not whip the entire party unassisted and she went out to borrow a knife. Failing in that she made a slungshot by putting a stone in her handkerchief, but before she had wounded any one the officer arrested her.

Lawyer Moss defended her in the Police Court today and remarked that the stone in the handkerchief was not a concealed weapon.

"If you had been struck on the head with it," remarked the court, "you would have thought it was a concealed weapon."

Gus Mason told of the birthday party and said that only about sixteen people were invited,

Gus Mason told of the birthday party and said that only about sixteen people were invited, "excusing the musicians."

Another witness described the gathering as a "parlor social," while Maggie, the prisoner, denominated it as a "10-cent hop."

"And the 'parlor social' or '10-cent hop' came near ending in the usual manner," remarked the judge, as he fined Maggie \$20 or sixty days.

Three More Policy Men Arrested The police are continuing the war inau-gurated against the policy men when, by a decision of the court, it was learned that the Criminal Court had jurisdiction, and this morning Sergeant Barry and Policemen Treadwell and Byer of the fourth precinct made a raid. It was about half-past 8 o'clock when they called at the house of Ezekiel Cade, No. 2 Wonders alley southwest, and made an investigation that convinced them that Cade was still in the usiness. He was seated in a room on the second door, while two colored men, George Gwynn and George Gaskins were on the lower floor The latter ran upstairs when the officers reached the house and jumped out of the win-dow, but Officer Mulvey was outside and caught

The three men, together with a quantity of policy paraphernalia, were taken to the Police Court, where warrants were sworn out against In the cases of Cade and Gaskins Lawyer Williams waived examination, and the defendants were held in \$200 bail to await the actio of the grand jury.

In the case of Gwynne Lawyer Closs appeared and took the same action.

BLAINE AND RECIPEOCITY. Reaching After Brazilian and Newfou

Trade-A Canadian View. A Lumenburg, N.S., special to the New York

"Mr. Blame, who is one of the craftiest statesmen living, said a short time ago that the best way to conquer British America was to divide her. Therefore without turning an ear to us he gave ear to the officers of Newfoundland, and he proposed, if Newfoundland would admit United States fishing vessels to the privilege of apprehasing best and expressions better the privilege of the proposed of the privilege of the privi best way to conquer British America was to dispurchasing bait and supplies and transshipping cargoes in Newfoundland ports, to admit their tities.

Mr. Frank von Phul of Greytown, Nicaragua, arrived at New Orleans Sunday night. He gives a very satisfactory account of the work on the Nicaragua canal and the harbor improvements. Mr. von Phul says that the sensation in Nicaragua at present is the success of several gold mines. The mines are in Prince Pulka, on the river of that name.

The men who discovered them are Paul Rener, Gusta Schultz and Senor Don Arambura. Mr. Von Phul says that he saw from fish free into the United States. Canada was to a treaty with Canada, but that he preferred that the Newfoundland negotiations should go forward on separate lines. Perhaps it is better that they should, because the chief concession proposed to be made to Newfoundland was free tish, while there were other articles for which we desired free admission into their markets and there were other questions which we de

sired settled."
Sir John Thompson charged the opposition with having expressed a willingness to surrerder every right and privilege that Canada pos-sesses. The government would never agree to surrender Canada's inshore fisheries to the Americans in any treaty upon any considera-tion, because, were that to be done, the inshore fisheries would be destroyed by American seines as their own had been destroyed. TWO GIRLS' LONG JOURNEY.

Fourteen Hundred Miles in a Wagor

Through Mountainous Mexico. om the San Francisco Examin There are two young ladies spending a few

weeks in this city who have recently made a remarkable journey. They are Miss Mary Jacques of Java Lodge, Hampshire, England and Miss Emma Hartley of Junction City, Tex. The town of Junction City is nearly 200 miles from the Mexican border, the entire distance to the City of Mexico from that place being about 1,600 miles. A light wagon and a team of Texas horses were purchased and all arrangements for the trip had been perfected early in last September. In the wagon were stored a complete camping outfit and a small amount of provisions, it being the intention of the ladies to procure the necessary supply of eatables from people along the line of their journey. The provisions taken along were only to be used in cases of necessity. The only firearms carried by the ladies were a brace of

The country lying between Junction City and The country lying between Junction City and Piedras Negras, where they crossed the Rio Grande river into Mexico, is a desolate, mountainous region, the only inhabitants being ranchmen, the habitations being at intervals of from twenty-five to fifty miles. The journey to the Rio Grande river occupied four days. It was at the Mexican border that the girls met with their first obstacle. They found that the Mexican duties on their horses and that the Mexican duties on their horses and wagon would cost them more than a new outit. They conferred as to what would be over the bridge to Piedras Negras on foot and purchased another outfit in that city, and again set out on their journey of 1,400 miles overland to the Mexican capital.

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The journey to Monterey was made over mountain trails, but they were beset with no severe difficulties. They were treated with universal courtesy and respect by the natives and were given every assistance asked by those whom they met. They were prepared for danger and adventure, but in this they were disappointed, the most thrilling incident of the trip being the riding of a drunken soldier into their tent by mistake. The astonished but courtecus Mexican quickly retired with profuse apologies for his intrusion.

In the higher attitudes they experienced some discomforts, owing to the chilly nights and the scarcity of wood and coal for camping. They passed 'brough sections of the country which had never before been penetrated or traversed by any foreigner, and the astonishment of the natives was very amusing. Every night of the journey, which occupied nearly three months, was spent in their camp tent alone and unprotected. They traveled by the way of klonterey, Saltillo, San Luis Potosi and Pachuca. At Pachuca they spent several days visiting the mines, iron works and reducers.

They spent several days in the City of Mexico, and started to make their return journey by overland, but owing to the severe weather experienced on the uplands they were compelled to abandon their team and wagon at San Luis perienced on the uplands they were compelle to abandon their team and wagon at San Lu Potosi and finish their trip by rail. But determined to enjoy the unsurpassed climate an accuracy of Mexico to the utmost, they traveled a good part of the way to this city on the

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